

## COME TO KANSAS!

Population of State Increases  
42,918 in Year.

In Last Five Years Increase  
Was Only 8,000.

A report submitted by J. C. Mohler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, indicates that the population of Kansas has increased 42,918 over 1915. It shows that eighteen of the twenty-two counties showing a decrease in population in character and pursuits. The total population of Kansas on March 1, 1916, was 1,715,463.

Eighty-four counties have increased in population, the greatest growth in any one county being in Butler where the oil fields are located. In fact, practically all western counties show an increase in population while many of the counties in the eastern half of the state are showing a decrease in population. Montgomery county shows the greatest decrease.

Wyandotte county easily leads in population with 113,130 inhabitants. Sedgwick second with 72,694 and Shawnee third with 64,842. On account of alleged carelessness of Shawnee county enumerators figures for this county collected in 1916 were used only in fact, and the 1915 figures were substituted.

Following is the table showing the population by counties for 1915 and 1916 and their gain and loss:

County	1915	1916	Gain	Loss
Allen	25,225	23,315	2,310	
Anderson	13,780	13,200	580	
Atchison	27,271	27,227	44	
Barber	18,277	18,028	249	
Barton	25,077	25,022	55	
Bourbon	20,774	20,730	44	
Butler	24,724	20,788	3,936	
Chase	6,012	5,154	858	
Chautauque	11,175	11,238	63	
Cherokee	30,387	30,370	17	
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Clark	4,470	4,250	220	
Clay	15,222	14,902	320	
Cloud	19,313	19,310	3	
Coffey	15,035	14,938	97	
Cottonwood	5,420	5,408	12	
Crawford	31,415	30,979	436	
Decatur	8,067	7,202	865	
Dickinson	25,703	25,339	364	
Douglas	17,191	17,144	46	
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Edwards	6,773	6,734	39	
Ellis	13,725	13,197	528	
Ellisworth	10,544	10,481	63	
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Ford	13,672	13,153	519	
Franklin	22,108	22,103	5	
Geary	10,108	10,063	45	
Gove	4,527	4,010	517	
Graham	7,730	7,400	330	
Grant	9,997	9,900	97	
Gray	4,386	3,674	712	
Greene	1,900	1,913	13	
Greenwood	15,094	14,500	594	
Hamilton	22,444	22,353	91	
Harper	12,237	12,310	73	
Harvey	18,541	18,063	478	
Haskell	1,576	1,505	71	
Hodgeman	3,593	3,105	488	
Jackson	15,122	15,028	94	
Jefferson	15,141	15,309	168	
Jewell	16,548	17,105	557	
Johnson	16,273	16,507	234	
Kearney	2,431	2,316	115	
Kingman	12,075	12,012	63	
Kiowa	6,315	6,408	93	
Labette	24,052	24,014	38	
Lane	4,470	4,250	220	
Leavenworth	40,839	40,625	214	
Lincoln	10,880	10,433	447	
Linn	13,255	13,013	242	
Logan	3,316	3,013	303	
Lyon	20,011	20,408	397	
Marion	21,914	21,571	343	
Marshall	21,991	21,737	254	
McPherson	21,784	21,784	0	
Meade	6,053	5,276	777	
Miami	18,402	18,070	332	
Mitchell	14,400	14,721	321	
Montgomery	48,302	40,824	7,478	
Morris	11,852	11,810	42	
Morton	2,213	1,750	463	
Neosho	15,894	15,309	585	
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Ness	6,610	6,547	63	
Norton	11,865	11,865	0	
Osage	20,106	20,072	34	
Osborne	13,714	12,973	741	
Ottawa	11,416	11,905	489	
Pawnee	9,492	8,831	661	
Phillips	13,025	13,220	195	
Pottawatomie	16,250	16,309	59	
Pratt	12,050	11,942	108	
Rawl	4,255	3,502	753	
Reino	42,458	40,448	2,010	
Republic	17,094	16,915	179	
Rice	14,571	14,457	114	
Riley	16,387	16,318	69	
Rock	11,010	10,996	14	
Rush	8,334	8,005	329	
Russell	11,455	11,947	492	
Saline	22,045	20,605	1,440	
Scott	2,667	2,238	429	
Sedgwick	72,694	73,294	600	
Sevier	9,493	9,426	67	
Shawnee	64,842	64,901	59	
Sheridan	11,306	11,303	3	
Sherman	4,432	4,043	389	
Smith	15,672	15,308	364	
Stafford	11,306	11,303	3	
Stanton	881	821	60	
Stevens	2,755	2,755	0	
Sumner	28,752	28,027	725	
Thomas	4,585	3,906	679	
Trego	5,020	5,020	0	
Wabaunsee	12,031	11,904	127	
Wallace	2,253	2,060	193	
Washington	19,002	19,001	1	
Wichita	1,503	1,519	16	
Wilson	21,139	20,747	392	
Woodson	9,313	9,331	18	
Wyandotte	113,130	110,549	2,581	

The state 1,715,463 1,672,545 42,918

MAGAZINE FOR WEST KANSAS.

"Golden Belt Teacher" Edited by P.

Capar Harvey at Hays, Kan.

Hays, Kan., Oct. 14.—Western Kan-

sas is to have a magazine all its own

after Monday, when the first issue of

the Golden Belt Teacher will appear.

It will be edited for the school boards

and school teachers of the "short

grass" country exclusively and will

circulate in twenty western Kansas

counties.

The leading articles in the first

number are from Judge J. C. Ruppel,

thal of Russell, and Miss Dora E.

Groff of Ellis. The editors are P.

Capar Harvey, managing editor,

Ward W. Sullivan, business manager,

and Floyd B. Lee and Ward W. Sulli-

van, associate editors.

DENTISTS ELECT OFFICERS.

Joint Session of Golden Belt and First

District Bodies Closes.

Manhattan, Kan., Oct. 14.—The

joint meeting of the first district and

Golden Belt Dental societies which

has been in session here for two days

adjourned after electing their officers

and deciding on the next meeting

place.

Dr. M. J. McKee of Manhattan was

chosen president of the Golden Belt

society. W. E. Jordan of Hays, was

elected vice president. B. E. Kelly of

Ablene, was chosen for secretary, and

J. R. Clark of Enterprise, was elected

treasurer. E. L. Garrett of Abilene,

was elected a member of the executive

council. Salina was selected as the

next meeting place.

NINE STATES REPRESENTED.

Topeka Branch Foreign Missionary

Society in Session This Week.

Chanute, Oct. 14.—The initial

meetings of the Topeka branch meet-

ing started off with a rush. The

women who are in charge of the work

of the Woman's Foreign Missionary

society are business women and they

can give many a business man point-

ers on how to get results.

The sessions Wednesday and Thurs-

day were "shop" meetings, in which

the district secretaries and other exec-

## 25 YEARS AGO IN TOPEKA

From the columns of  
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The question is, shall we have any far-

ther or is Tyler the Rubens.

The Pleasure Seekers club will give a

dance at Trades Assembly hall tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Baker will give two

receptions and a dancing party in the

next two weeks, in honor of their guest,

Miss Clara Odell, of Newburgh, N. Y.

Ed. C. Little of Abilene, one of the

bright young Republicans of the state, is

in town today.

Dr. Stansbury, the noted state writer

and operator in recent telegraphy will be at

the Copeland this evening. He is accom-

panied by Mrs. Florence K. Rich, a text

and business medium.

The debate last night between the young

Republicans and the young men of the

People's party was one of the best features

of the campaign and it ought to have been.

The Swedish brass band under the direction

of Prof. Brokaw, furnished the music.

President Elliott of the Young Men's Re-

publican club, announced the question

which was: "Resolved, That the issue of

flat money as a means of increasing our

circulating medium is unnecessary and

would be detrimental to the financial in-

terests of the country."

C. E. Gault, stenographer to James A.

Trouman, was the first speaker and was

the youngest speaker on the floor. Half a

dozen Alliance men tried to laugh him

down. Mr. Gault disappointed the gang

who made insulting thrusts at him until

Prof. Vincent one of their own men, told

them to "shut up." Mr. Gault said: "I

take the attitude that flat money, is never

necessary, never constitutional. The flat

money issued during the rebellion gained

its value from the fact that it was payable

in gold.

A. J. R. Smith who was chief promoter

started the laugh again when Gault said

that there was more money in circulation

now than ever before.

C. W. Marsh, a painter opened the de-

bate for the People's party. He said the

banks and loan sharks had hired their

Hessians to take from the poor their hard-

earned property. The rich had always op-

posed flat money. He stated that there

were laboring men in Topeka who had

not had a square meal in a year.

A man in the audience asked if they be-

longed to "sell" denim. "No," he said,

"Come with me and I will show them to

you."

A. W. Dana, spoke next and it was gen-

erally conceded that his speech was the

best of the evening. W. H. Bennington

closed the debate for the People's party.

He said: "It is a well known fact

among us lawyers who stand high at the

bar, the supreme court is always right,

whether it be right or wrong."

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Page who returned

from Scotland Sunday evening last and

Dr. and Mrs. Archibald who have been

spending their vacation in the east were

given a surprise reception by members

of the Second Presbyterian church at the

page residence on Monroe street, last eve-

ning.

## AGGIES CONFIDENT

Kansas Farmers Out to Give  
Nebraska Battle Today.

All Valley Conference Teams in  
Action Except Drake.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14.—Close  
followers of Missouri Valley football  
today were looking forward to what  
purported to be the first real line on  
the merits of the different teams in  
the championship hunt. The struggles  
scheduled for today included every  
team in the Missouri Valley confer-  
ence with the exception of Drake,  
which had an open date. A list of the  
conference games follows:

Nebraska vs. Kansas Aggies, at Lin-  
coln.

Kansas vs. Iowa State, at Ames,  
Iowa.

Missouri vs. Washington, at Colum-  
bia, Mo.

Supporters of the Kansas Aggies  
this year are jubilant over what they  
term the best team ever turned out  
from the school. Nebraska is in for  
a merry battle if not for a beating,  
they declare. Nebraska won last year  
31 to 0.

K. U.-Ames Game.

Kansas and Iowa State do not prom-  
ise a brilliant contest, the Jayhawkers  
seemingly lacking a powerful offense,  
while Iowa State is said to be in the  
throes of a "bad year." Missouri will  
go into the game with Washington a  
favorite.

Oklahoma university meets Henry  
Kendall college at Norman. Arkansas  
will play the Oklahoma Miners at  
Payetteville, Ark.

Haskell Indians encounter Notre  
Dame in the latter's grounds and are  
trying to blot out the 34 to 0 defeat  
of last year.

Big Nine Games.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 14.—Interest in  
football in the Big Nine centers on the  
Indiana-Chicago game here today.

This is the only contest between big  
nine eleven scheduled, and is im-  
portant in that the loser will be elimi-  
nated from the championship race.

Chicago went down to a 7 to 0 defeat  
last Saturday at the hands of Carlton  
college, an unheard of thing. But the  
Maroons are expected to show more  
fight today after a week's grilling at  
the hands of Stags.

Indiana's strength is unknown and  
just how effective the work of the  
new coach, Stiehm, will be, is a mys-  
tery. His record at Nebraska is sen-  
sational but he has had no Big Nine  
experience.

The first intersectional clash of the